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SUBJ: SAMPLE NOMAD CAMP IN TOMBOUCTOU

PASS TO R. HOGAN, CDC, ATLANTA, GA

1. SAMPLE NOMAD CAMP IN TOMBOUCTOU (POP 10,000) INDICATES 74.6 PERCENT CHILDREN FALL BELOW 80 PERCENT LINE.
2. CURRENTLY THERE ARE TWO OR THREE DEATHS WEEKLY - DOWN FROM THE 5-10 DAILY DEATHS WHEN CAMPS WERE FORMED.
3. CAMP OFFICIALS STATE THAT EACH NOMAD RECEIVES 1500 GRAMS OF MILLET WEEKLY. APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF LITER NFDM DISTRIBUTED DAILY TO EACH CHILD. SUPPLEMENTED WITH CSM.
4. DIARRHEA THE MOST REPORTED ILLNESS. THERE WERE TWO CASES OF PERTUSSIS. MEASLES VACCINATIONS GIVEN A MONTH AGO.
5. THIRTY-NINE PERCENT SAMPLE HAD EDEMA. MARASMUS SEEN, BLACK SPOTS ON CHILDREN'S SKIN NOT UNCOMMON (KWASKIORKOR). MUCH DEHYDRATION AND LOSS OF SKIN ELASTICITY WAS OBSERVED.
6. NO PRIVIES USED, EXCRETA COVERED WITH THIN LAYER OF SAND. WATER BROUGHT IN FROM TOWN WELLS IN BARRELS.

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7. CAMP IS DIVIDED INTO 15 SECTORS. EACH SECTOR HAS A CHIEF WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL SECTION NEEDS. GOM HAS SENT UP ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL FROM BAMAKO. SHORTLY A DOCTOR AND A WHO NURSE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO CAMP. HEALTH EDUCATION PROBLEM ARISES IN TOUREG NOMADS NOT ACCUSTOMED TO VILLAGE LIFE. ALSO GOM HAVE VERY FEW MEDICAL PERSONNEL WHO SPEAK TOMACHEK GOM IS PLANNING FOR A LONG TERM INVOLVEMENT WITH NOMADS CAMP THROUGH HEALTH EDUCATION AND MORE PERMANENT FACILITIES.
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